

September 14, 2010

Mr. Brian Pabst City Of Berwyn 6700 26th St Berwyn, IL 60402-0701

Dear Mr. Pabst:

In May, Nicor Gas launched a new energy efficiency program targeted at helping our customers save energy and money. We are now in the process of familiarizing our municipal partners with the various plans within the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program.

Below is a list of plans associated with our program that are available through May 2011 or until funding is exhausted. Also, attached is a document that contains more details on the plans listed below.

## Residential

- 1. Rebate Program (Furnace, Water Heater and Boiler Replacements)
- 2. Home Retrofit Assessment
- 3. Elementary Education
- 4. Multi-family Installation
- 5. Low/Moderate Income Weatherization

## **Business**

- 1. Rebate Program
- 2. Business Custom Projects

As we implement the plans available to customers through the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program, some of our communication materials and contracted partners may be observed in your municipality. The programs mentioned above present great opportunities for your residents to save energy and money. We hope you will consider promoting the Rebate Program on your municipal website, newsletter, cable channel and other communication vehicles you feel are applicable. Please note that some of the programs are not mass-marketed because they are limited by budget constraints; therefore, we ask that you do not promote any of the other plans as identified in italics above.

As your Nicor Gas Community Relations resource, I welcome the opportunity to provide you more information about our energy efficiency program. If you have any questions or would like to set up a meeting, please feel free to contact me at 708-318-5021.

For more information regarding the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program please visit our website at <a href="https://www.nicorgasrebates.com">www.nicorgasrebates.com</a> or call the customer rebate center at 877-886-4239.

Sincerely,

Sean McCarthy

Sr. Regional Community Relations Director

## Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program – Rebate and Custom Programs

Note: The following three programs can be broadcast through multiple communication channels. We invite municipalities to partner with us in promoting these three programs.

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Program Name	Description	Eligibility Requirements	Who is Doing the Work
Residential Prescriptive Rebates	Residential Prescriptive Program helps homeowners achieve long-term natural gas savings through education and financial rebates that may reduce the costs of purchasing and installing high-efficiency natural gas equipment.	<ul> <li>Current Nicor Gas Rate 1 (Residential) customers.</li> <li>Installation of qualifying equipment - high efficiency storage water heaters, furnaces, boilers.</li> <li>Equipment installed between May 1, 2010 and May 31, 2011.</li> <li>As long as funds remain available.</li> </ul>	Customers will secure their own local contractor to install eligible energy efficient equipment and submit a rebate request after the work is completed. Nicor does NOT provide a list of contractors and does not qualify or recommend specific contractors.  For more information and a list of qualifying high efficiency equipment visit: <a href="https://www.nicorgasrebates.com">www.nicorgasrebates.com</a> or call 1-877-886-4239 or email:
Business Prescriptive Rebates	The Business Prescriptive Rebate Program is designed to:  • Educate eligible customers about the benefits of energy efficiency	<ul> <li>Current Nicor Gas Rate 4 or 74 (Non-Residential) customers.</li> <li>Installation of qualifying equipment - high efficiency storage water heaters, furnaces, boilers and other</li> </ul>	Customers will secure their own local contractor to install eligible energy efficient equipment and submit a rebate request after the work is completed.
	<ul> <li>Encourage eligible customers to improve business energy efficiency by providing cash incentives for the installation of qualifying natural gas-saving products</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>specifically identified products.</li> <li>Equipment is installed between May 1, 2010 and May 31, 2011.</li> <li>As long as funds remain available.</li> </ul>	contractors and does not qualify or recommend specific contractors.  For more information and a list of qualifying high efficiency equipment visit:  www.nicorgasrebates.com or call 1-877-886-4239 or email: customerservice@nicorgasrebates.com
Business Custom	Business customers will install high-efficiency measures not addressed through the Business Prescriptive Rebate Program when considering equipment retrofits or other energy-saving improvements. Many business efficiency projects include process improvements or involve multiple.	<ul> <li>Current Nicor Gas Rate 4 or 74 (Non-Residential) customers;</li> <li>Award incentives based on energy savings on a per therm basis for installed measures not covered in the Business Prescriptive Program.</li> </ul>	Resource Solutions Group (RSG) administers this program and will provide technical and application assistance as requested by the customer. For more information email:
	technologies. This program offers incentives customized to the specific results of the implemented energy-saving measures.	<ul> <li>The incentive amount will be calculated on a case-by- case basis for qualifying equipment or processes.</li> </ul>	customrebates@nicorgasrebates.com

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Program Name Description	3	Eligibility Requirements	Who is Doing the Work
Elementary Energy Education Program Program  Pro	This program is designed to teach students and their families how to conserve energy resources by using energy more efficiently at home and at school. A maximum of 5,000 5th grade students will be provided education and a free energy-saving take-home kit to learn about and undertake simple low-cost efficiency measures in their home. They will be able to document how the changes they make result in natural gas energy savings.	This program is <u>NOT</u> open for public enrollment. [Note: Up to 5,000 kits will be provided to 5th grade students and teachers. Eligible schools will be contacted by the National Energy Foundation to participate. Classrooms will be accepted on a first-come strategy until the program is fully enrolled.]	Implementation Contractor: National Energy Foundation (NEF) Nicor Gas' Community Relations Directors have a list of the invited schools and teachers.
Residential Multi-Family Direct Install Program Program Six compac The implem opportunitie building cor	This program is being run in partnership with ComEd to provide a FREE, no-obligation install of the following energy-saving measures in individual living units: a water-saving massage shower-head, high-efficiency faucet aerators for kitchen and bathroom sinks, and up to six compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs.  The implementation contractor will also look for opportunities to install energy-saving measures in building common areas and verify incentive eligibility.	<ul> <li>Program to target property owners and managers of condominiums and apartments with eight (8) or more units.         (Individual customers should ask their property manager to contact the implementation contractor.)     </li> <li>Property must be served by both Nicor Gas and ComEd (to be verified by zip code).</li> </ul>	Implementation Contractor: Honeywell Utility Solutions 877-735-6687 [Note: All Honeywell employees carry a ComEd Identification Card for verification.]
Low-to- Moderate Income Program Program Program Program Participating the total we repair/repla showerhead home at no This progra Associatio and the local ag size and sc	This program will weatherize homes and repair or replace furnaces in eligible households.  Participating homeowners will be asked to pay 10% of the total weatherization costs and 20% of the furnace repair/replacement costs. In addition, energy-efficient showerheads and faucet aerators will be installed in the home at no cost to the homeowner.  This program is being implemented by the Illinois Association of Community Action Agencies (IACAA) and the local Community Action Agencies, but not all of the local agencies will be participating due to the limited size and scope of project (see list at right).	<ul> <li>The customer must be a Nicor Gas customer who owns a single-family home or duplex.</li> <li>Have a household income between 200% and 300% of the federal poverty guide-lines, as verified by the local Community Action Agency:  # of Persons Income Guidelines in Home Income Guidelines 1 \$21,768 - \$32,490 2 \$29,286 - \$43,710 3 \$36,803 - \$54,930 4 \$44,321 - \$66,150 5 \$51,838 - \$77,370 6 \$59,355 - \$88,590 7 \$66,873 - \$99,810 8 \$74,390 - \$111,030</li> <li>Have an annual natural gas usage in excess of 1,200 therms.</li> </ul>	Participating Community Action Agencies:  Community and Economic Development Assoc. of Cook County (CEDA)  Community Contacts, Inc. (Dekalb and Kane County  Community Action Partnership of Lake County  Champaign County Regional Planning Commission  Kendall-Grundy Community Action  Rockford Human Services Department (Boone and Winnebago Counties)  Will County Center for Community Concerns